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June 22, 2016

Jeff S. Jordan, Esq. Federal Election Commission 999 E Street NW Washington, DC 20463

RE: Scott Taylor for Congress, MUR 7078

Dear Mr. Jordan,

This is in response to your letter dated June 3, received on June 7, 2016. I am Treasurer for the Scott Taylor for Congress committee in the 2016 elections.

Please be advised that another committee of the same name, but with a different Treasurer, was active in the 2010 election cycle. I had no involvement with that campaign and have no knowledge of the circumstances of the committee's winding down. I would note from the FEC website that a termination report is listed as filed, but for reasons unknown to me, the treasurer at the time did not respond and the FEC eventually administratively terminated the committee.

In response to the points in the complaint for the 2016 campaign, I will address each paragraph in the order they appear in the complaint.

- 1) Mr. Taylor announced his candidacy in an email (complainant's Exhibit 3) on January 19 using an email account that he personally owns. It was not state Delegate letterhead or resources as claimed.
- 2) The email was clearly identified as coming from Mr. Taylor and the omission of any required disclaimers was inadvertent and was corrected soon thereafter.
- 3) and 4) We do not disagree.
- 5) I mailed the Statement of Organization and Declaration of Candidacy by US Certified Mail on January 28, 2016. A copy of the certified mail receipt and tracking information from the USPS website are attached to this letter. My understanding is that a document is considered filed when mailed by certified mail. The omission of the Candidate Name on Line 5 of the Statement of Organization was corrected immediately upon receipt of the Request for Additional

Information; I would note it is redundant since the name of the committee is "Scott Taylor for Congress" and the Declaration of Candidacy, showing his name and signed by the candidate, was filed at the same time.

- 6) As noted above, the committee registered on January 28, 2016 and Mr. Taylor began collecting petition signatures contemporaneously with the filing. We do not believe the complaint states any violation.
- 7) Mr. Taylor's earliest events were in the nature of informal gatherings and did not require any expenditures. Persons attending paid for their own expenses, if any.
- 8) Mr. Taylor's website cost is of de minimis cost. The state legislative committee purchased the domain name prior to the beginning of the campaign. We will include on our next report an in-kind for hosting costs, although they have not yet reached the \$200 threshold for itemization.
- 9) We are amending our April Quarterly report to add the name of the LLC owner. However, when we reached the owner of the LLC, he would not confirm whether the LLC was treated as a partnership or a corporation, so therefore we have refunded the contribution.

The remainder of the complaint makes only general references to the statutes and rules and does not state violations of the FECA or Rules.

Thank you in advance for considering this response.

Very truly yours,

SCOTT TAYLOR FOR CONGRESS

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Commonwealth of Virginia

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 22nd day of June, 2016 by

John G. Selph.

Notary Public's Signature

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